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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Glaucia PARANHOS-BACCALA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1634

Application No.: 10/632,793

Examiner: S. KAPUSHOC

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For: ENDOGENOUS NUCLEIC FRAGMENT ASSOCIATED WITH AN AUTOIMMUNE DISEASE, LABELING METHOD AND REAGENT

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired August 22, 2006, an extension of time for a period of two months is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 185444 in the amount of \$450 in payment for:

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